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The Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein United States District Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 1050 New York, New York 10007

> Re: <u>United States v. Claudio Cabrera,</u> 07 Cr. 869 (AKH)

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

I write at the suggestion and with the consent of defense counsel to request that the pre-trial conference in the above-referenced matter scheduled for Friday, January 4, 2008, be adjourned for approximately 30 days. The Government recently proposed a disposition of this matter, and the defendant is presently reviewing that offer. Both counsel are optimistic that the proposed adjournment will facilitate a resolution of this case.

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Accordingly, the Government respectfully requests that the pre-trial conference be adjourned at the Court's convenience for approximately 30 days, and that the time until the new date be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act to facilitate the defendant's review of the proposed disposition.

Respectfully submitted,

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SO ORDERED.

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HONORABLE ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE